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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: John Breeding Examiner: Benjamin Layno
Serial No. 10/615,350 Group Art Unit: 3712
Filed: July 8, 2003 Docket No. PA0894.ap.US
Title: PHOTOELECTRIC GAMING TOKEN SENSING APPARATUS WITH
FLUSH MOUNTED GAMING TOKEN SUPPORTER

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: MAIL STOP: PETITIONS and MAIL STOP: RCE; Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313 on 15 JULY 2004.

Mark A. Litman
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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(3) FOR CLAIM FOR PRIORITY UNDER
35 U.S.C. 120 BASED UPON UNINTENTIONAL DELAY**

MAIL STOP: PETITIONS
P.O. Box: 1450
Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(3) to grant Patentees a previously requested and legally available claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 for priority from a stream of U.S. Patent Applications as follows:

This application is a Continuation Application from U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/553,075, filed April 20, 2000, now abandoned; which in turn is a Continuation-in-Part Application of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/866,516, filed May 30, 1997, now abandoned; which is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/567,001, filed December 14, 1995, now abandoned; which is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/041,850, filed April 2, 1993, now U.S. Patent No. 5,472,194; and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/866,516, filed May 30, 1997, now abandoned is also a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/388,292, filed February 14, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,544,892; which is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/043,413, filed April 6, 1993,

now U.S. Patent No. 5,417,430; which is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/023,196, now U.S. Patent No. 5,288,081.

This Petition contains:

- (1) The claim for priority under 35 USC 120;
- (2) A letter of authorization to debit Deposit Account No. 501391 for all fees and costs associated with this petition, response, and communication, including especially and specifically the surcharge set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(t);
- (3) A statement that the entire delay between the date the claim was due under paragraph (a)(3) of 37 C.F.R. §1.78 and the date that the claim was filed was unintentional.

(1) This Petition and the accompanying Claim for Priority under 35 USC 120 is as follows. Patentees hereby make a claim for priority in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/615,350 as:

This application is a Continuation Application from U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/553,075, filed April 20, 2000, now abandoned; which in turn is a Continuation-in-Part Application of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/866,516, filed May 30, 1997, now abandoned; which is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/567,001, filed December 14, 1995, now abandoned; which is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/041,850, filed April 2, 1993, now U.S. Patent No. 5,472,194; and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/866,516, filed May 30, 1997, now abandoned is also a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/388,292, filed February 14, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,544,892; which is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/043,413, filed April 6, 1993,

now U.S. Patent No. 5,417,430; which is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/023,196, now U.S. Patent No. 5,288,081.

(2) This Petition hereby authorizes the U.S. PTO to debit attorney's Deposit Account No. 501391 for all fees and costs associated with this petition, response, and communication, including especially and specifically the surcharge set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(t).

(3) The entire delay between the date the claim was due under paragraph (a)(1) of this section (calculated to be November 8, 2003, the longer of 4 months from the filing date of the original U.S. Patent Application from which this Patent Application was entitled to priority and 16 months from the filing date of the earliest of the U.S. Patent Applications for which priority is now being claimed) and the date when the claim for priority was actually filed (July 15, 2004) was unintentional.

PETITION

Please grant this petition to provide Applicant with a claim for priority under 35 USC 120 as stated above.

If there is any need to extend the time to respond, Authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account Number 50-1391 if such additional extension is necessary.


Respectfully submitted,

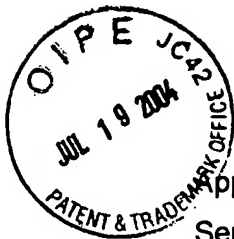
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The following documents are hereby submitted:

- ☒ Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(3) For Claim For Priority Under 35 USC 120
Based Upon Unintentional Delay (3 pages)
- ☒ Transmittal Sheet
- ☒ Return postcard

Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for sufficient number of months to enter these papers if an additional extension of time is deemed necessary by the Office. Authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account Number 50-1391 if such additional extension is necessary.

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